SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 14

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to welcome the Connectional Lay Organization of the African Methodist Episcopal Church on the grand occasion of the organization's 29th Biennual Session; and

WHEREAS, The lay organization has chosen the City of Houston as the host of its 29th Biennial Session, which is taking place July 24 through 29, 2005; and

WHEREAS, The African Methodist Episcopal Church was formed in 1787 after black communicants were forcibly segregated from the rest of the congregation; and

the rest of the congregation; and

WHEREAS, The denomination has grown to include over two
million members worldwide; its churches foster community pride,
enhance the lives of its members through education, and work to
improve the quality of life for others; and

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WHEREAS, The Connectional Lay Organization of the African
Methodist Episcopal Church will hold a welcome reception on
July 25 during the biennial session; this venerable organization
supports the church's enduring commitment to its holy mission;
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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas,
79th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby extend best wishes
to the Connectional Lay Organization of the African Methodist
Episcopal Church on the occasion of it 29th Biennial Session;
and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the organization as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Ellis

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on June 27, 2005.

President of the Senate

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate